

The Watauga Democrat.

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LOCAL NEWS.

—Fresh roasted peanuts at W. F. Sherwood's.

—Mills are generally frozen up and grinding is slow.

—A nice line of Xmas goods at Taylor and Mast's.

—W. B. Conneill, jr., has his ice house well along.

—Oranges, bannanas and cocoanuts at W. F. Sherwood's.

—Wanted at Taylor and Mast's: all the fat grease we can get at 25 cents each.

—We are headquarters for Xmas goods. Come and see. H. T. Newland & Co., Blowing Rock.

—Snow, wind, and cold weather is on us and it seems to continue and is preparing for Christmas.

—Mr. Miller, of Blowing Rock, has moved into the jail and will occupy it for the next two years.

—Let every reader of the DEMOCRAT be sure to see the first half column on the first page of this issue.

—We are glad to learn that Dr. J. B. Conneill, of Salisbury, who has been on the sick list is well again.

—Mrs. J. P. Taylor and children have returned from Salisbury and are now at Elk Park for the winter.

—Hog killing is a common occupation this cold weather. Some very fine ones have been and will be slaughtered.

—Our old friend W. W. Presnell will do the business in the clerk's office this winter for Mr. Bingham, the new clerk.

—Rev. A. L. Stanford will preach in the Methodist church in Boone next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at Brown's Chapel at 3 p. m.

—Go to W. F. Sherwood for all kinds of candies. Sticks, French mixtures, cocoanut and chocolate candy; all sorts of penny goods.

—The DEMOCRAT is out earlier this week again, as it will be next week. Persons wanting a change in ads. etc. will make a note of this.

—Miss Mary Cole Boyden writes that she is well pleased with school at Charlotte and will spend the holidays in Atlanta with relatives.

—H. T. Newland & Co., requests the people of Boone, and all other people as to that, to come and examine their stock of Xmas goods.

—Our stock of merchandise is now almost complete, and you can get almost anything you call for, and that at very low figures. Taylor & Mast.

—Do you want to know where to buy bargains? Consult our advertising columns. The men who pay to let you know what they have, are worthy of your patronage.

—Dr. Moose has, we are informed, been appointed postmaster at Lenoir, to fill out the unexpired term of Moses Harshaw, resigned, and J. A. Crisp, one of the "true and tried" has been downed. Sorry Pat lost it. But now, if Mr. Harshaw is defeated by Spainhour for Solicitor, which seems probable, he will be another "statesman out of a job" sure.

—Christmas will soon be here and we have no turkey for the occasion. Some of our numerous subscribers, who think well of us, will no doubt send us in about a 20 pounder.

—Don't fail to read the new ad. of I. N. Corpening & Co. It is good reading, and is calculated to save you money if you want anything in their line. They have just been added to our advertising list.

—Beef cattle is lower now than they have been and bull calves have gone down to a degree that is alarming and there are fears that they will not do to make another campaign on.

—W. H. Edmisten has the appointment as postmaster at Blowing Rock in place of Laws who has "vamoost the ranch" or rather "absconiated." This appointment is correct and ought to have been made at first.

—Mr. Spencer Gragg, of Garfield, Wash., is visiting friends and relatives in Watauga. He left this county many years ago, and has succeeded well in his western home. He will remain here until the first of the year.

—Mrs. Alice Hackney, daughter of our countyman, Andrew Jenkins, died at her home at Butler, Tenn., on Wednesday of last week at 4 p. m., from consumption. The family has our sympathy.

—Glad to see Mr. Roby Estes, son of the late Len. Estes, of Oakland, Oregon, among us again on a visit. It is thought that he is combining business (?) with pleasure. That's right, Roby, your judgment is good, and your taste most excellent.

—I must have the taxes. They are due, and the school money, most of it, has been taught out, and the teachers are wanting their pay. Don't delay this matter if you want to save cost, for they must come, and that without delay. W. H. Calaway, Sheriff.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, colds and coughs. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and I thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at M. B. Blackburn's. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

Landmark: The most violent storm in twenty years visited Baltimore Sunday. The wind blew sixty miles an hour and rain fell in torrents. About 250 buildings were unroofed and many wires were blown down. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

Your Danger Now

Is from the overworked condition of the liver and kidneys which are unable to expel impurities from the blood. This causes rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla has been wonderfully successful in curing this disease. It neutralizes the acid in the blood and permanently cures the aches and pains which other medicines fail to relieve. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best winter medicine because it purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood. It gives help just where help is needed. It tones the stomach, stimulates the liver, and arouses and sustains the kidneys. It wards off pneumonia, fevers, bronchitis, colds, coughs and the grip.

America's Greatest Medicine is Hood's Sarsaparilla, Which absolutely Cures every form of Impure blood, from The pimple on your Face to the great Scrofula sore which Drains your system.

Thousands of people Testify that Hood's Sarsaparilla cures Scrofula, Salt Rheum, Dyspepsia, Malaria, Catarrh, Rheumatism And That Tired Feeling. Remember this And get Hood's And only Hood's.

Our Legislature meets on the 4th day of January, and much expectation by the people as to what will be done is manifest; all the people are more or less exercised over what our next Legislature will do as regards the election law, schools, taxes, etc. There is growing sentiment among the tax payers of the state to have the law changed so that the school taxes which the white people pay will be applied to the white schools, and the taxes paid by the colored tax payers will be applied to the colored schools. White people say that they are getting tired being taxed to educate negroes and demand a change in the law, or rather the constitution. It is asserted that the more you educate the negro the meaner he gets—that all the good negroes are those who work and make an honest living, that the mean negroes are those who are educated by the taxes of the whites, these fellows make the preachers, lawyers, office holders, politicians, etc. It is charged by the whites that these kind of negroes do all the meanness, and cause all the trouble, produce the race troubles, etc. We are individually willing for the law to be changed and give the white children a better chance. Let each race educate its own children, we say.

We see that some of the papers are advocating an increase of taxes for the support of the public schools. The general tax levied for that purpose is about as large as our people will stand. The best way now to secure more money for the schools is by local taxation, and that should not be forced upon a people not wanting it. Local taxation will do for some communities, but not for others. There must be a great revival of interest in the schools before local taxation can become general. A large per cent. of the children in the country do not attend the schools already provided for. We can wisely exert our energies in inducing parents to send their children to school the four months we are now taxed to support. Patron and Gleaner.

The Sure La Grippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your liver, stomach and kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at M. B. Blackburn's. Only 50c. a bottle.

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DON'T DESPAIR!

Go to Friends for Advice; To Women for Comfort; To Strangers for Charity, but

FOR BARGAINS GO to I. N. CORPENING & CO.

Here Are a few Prices NOT Promises:

Good Green Coffee, 10 cts. Arbuckle's 2 for 25. Light Brown sugar 6 1/4 cts. Granulated Sugar 7 1/2 cts.

Our grocery line consists of Choice, Fresh Goods in both Fancy and Heavy Grades, and all

AT.....

Rock Bottom Prices.

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IN HARDWARE,

We Simply Knock Down and Drag out Competition.

Genuine Axes .50c. Lasts and stands .30. Farmer's Mixed wire nails 2 1/2 Cw Hammer 10c. each. 10 qt Tin Bucket 15c. Best grade Lubricating Oil 25 cents per gal. Cylinder Oil 50c.

DRY GOODS, HATS AND

NOTIONS.

Every box and shelf filled with new and stylish goods, and Each article is labeled with a bargain.

Ginghams 4 cts. Plains 5 cts. Shawls at cost!!!

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes.

NEW AND EXCELLENT:

Come right along and buy your winter foot-wear. Thick and heavy at thin, split-leather prices.

JULGEMENT

Is a most rare and precious gem.

NOW USE A LITTLE OIL and invest your CASH with us.

All kinds of produce taken in exchange for our net cash goods.

Soliciting a liberal future patronage, and thanking you in advance for same, we are Very Truly,

I. N. CORPENING & CO.

Banner Elk, N. C., Dec. 10.



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The State Normal and Industrial College.

Offers the young women of the State thorough professional, literary, classical, scientific, industrial education. Annual expenses \$90 to \$130. Faculty of 30 members. More than 400 regular students. Has matriculated about 1,500 students, representing every county in the State except two. Practice and Observation School of about 200 pupils. To secure board in dormitories, all free-tuition applications must be made before August 1.

Correspondence invited from those desiring competent trained teachers. For catalogue and other information, address PRESIDENT McIVER, GREENSBORO, N. C.

A Dollar's Worth You Want?

IF YOU HAVE A DOLLAR TO SPEND, REMEMBER that I am still at my old stand prepared to save you money on any purchase made. This is no idle tale, but a positive fact, and if you want me to furnish farther evidence, bring along the "ALL MIGHTY DOLLAR" and test its purchasing power in my store and be surprised.

Do You Need Clothing?

I can fit you up in a suit of clothes (good ones) for less money than any man in town. Heavy winter overcoats, etc., at about cost.

Groceries?

I carry the best line in town. Sugar, coffee, rice, oatmeal, etc., always on hand. The best variety of canned goods to be found in the county, and at starvation prices.

REMEMBER, your trade is what I want, and you can save money on anything to be found in a General line by giving it to me.

Yours truly, M. B. BLACKBURN,

Apr. 19.

A Greensboro woman has opened a day nursery and appeals to all mothers who are inconvenienced by being compelled to leave their children at home to bring them to the nursery where "the best motherly and Christian care will be given them by a loving Christian mother." Hours for admittance are 6 a. m. to 8 a. m.; the fee five cents a day for every child left. Hours of closing are 6 p. m. to 8 p. m.—Statesville Landmark.

CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought. Bears the Signature of J. C. H. Fletcher.

WAR, WAR.

I will sell you goods cheap for CASH.

—WAR OR NO WAR.—

So if you don't believe it, come and see for yourself: I have the largest and best selected stock of new and stylish goods ever seen in this section, and at

Bottom PRICES.

For instance, I will sell you 2 pint cups for 5 cts.; 1/2 gal. covered bucket 5 cts.; 3 gal. open bucket, 25 cts.; 10 qt. dish pan 20 cts.

Clothing.

Boys' suits \$2.50 and up; men's suits \$2.90 and up; men's fine shirts, late styles, 50 cts. and up; men's fur and straw hats cheap.

Men's, ladies' and children's shoes at any and all prices.

Groceries,

Coffee, sugar, oat meal, canned tomatoes, peaches, oysters, sardines, potted ham etc. always on hand.

HARDWARE.

Hoes, shovels, bull-tongue and calf-tongue plows, Farmer's Friend repairs, Oliver points and No. 52 Chattanooga points, etc.

DRY GOODS.

Calicoes 4 1/2 cts. and up, fine cashmeres 17 cts. and up. A nice lot of shirt waist goods just in and, in fact, almost anything you call for.

WANTED. Wheat, rye, corn, eggs, feathers, beeswax, chickens, wool, etc. at highest market prices; also roots and herbs.

Thanking you all for past patronage, I am,

YOURS ANXIOUS TO PLEASE,

Will W. Holsclaw.

NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANICAL ARTS.

Will re open September 1, 1898, with improved equipments in every department. Twenty three experienced specialists in Faculty. Full course in Agriculture, Science, Civil, Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. Expenses very moderate. For catalogue address PRES. A. Q. HOLLADAY, RALEIGH, N. C.

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Taylor & Mast.

"Friends and Customers we send this to you, With many thanks and good wishes too; And will endeavor to give you more For your money's worth than ever before."

BARGAINS'

The trading public is forever casting about in pursuit of bargains in merchandise, and some find them, while others fail. We take this method of informing our customers and friends that we are now better than ever before prepared to offer you extra bargains in

General Merchandise.

When we make an assertion in these columns we intend to do just what we say. We do not say one thing and do another.

We have a nice, new stock of goods, and are selling them at popular prices. Our stock consists of a general line of goods, and, as we buy our goods just right, we are prepared to sell them at low figures.

We want to buy all your good

PRODUCE.

Such as Corn, Rye, Oats, Bacon, etc.

and will pay you the highest market price for same.

Let us say in conclusion that we cannot sell on time. Our goods are marked at pay down prices, and we cannot sell them on time.

Thanking our friends for past favors and soliciting a continuation of their patronage, we are Resp.

TAYLOR & MAST. Valle Crucis, 2-17-98